

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

THE CITY OF EDINBURGH COUNCIL
ON BEHALF OF THE LOTHIAN
PENSION FUND, On Behalf of Itself and
All Others Similarly Situated,

Plaintiff,

v.

VODAFONE GROUP PUBLIC LIMITED
COMPANY, ARUN SARIN, SIR JULIAN
M. HORN-SMITH, KENNETH J. HYDON,
ANDREW N. HALFORD, PETER R.
BAMFORD, PAUL N. DONOVAN,
JURGEN VON KUCZKOWSKI, THOMAS
GEITNER, ALAN P. HARPER and LORD
IAN MacLAURIN,

Defendants.

Case No. 07 CIV 9921 (PKC)

**RULE 7.1 STATEMENT
OF VODAFONE GROUP PLC**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7.1 (formerly Local General Rule 1.9) and to enable District Judges and Magistrate Judges of the Court to evaluate possible disqualification or recusal, and with full reservation of all rights and defenses, the undersigned counsel for defendant Vodafone Group Plc (a private non-governmental party) certifies that Vodafone Group Plc is a publicly held corporation organized under the laws of the United Kingdom. Vodafone has no parent company and no publicly held company has a 10% or greater ownership interest in Vodafone. Vodafone Group Plc holds an indirect 45% interest in Verizon Wireless, a subsidiary of Verizon Communications, a publicly held company.

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